

**ABSTRACT**

A process for the production of a coating layer from a thermally curable coating composition on a substrate, comprising the successive steps:

- 5   a)   providing a substrate to be coated,
- b)   applying a backing foil coated on one side with an uncured or at least only partially cured coating layer of a thermally curable coating composition, with its coated side on the entire surface or at least one sub-zone of the surface of the substrate,
- 10   c)   supplying thermal energy onto the entire coating applied in step b), and
- d)   removing the backing foil from the coating which remains on the substrate;

      wherein the supply of thermal energy onto the coating proceeds  
15   prior to and/or after removal of the backing foil.